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AN ACT

To repeal sections 197.305, 197.310, 197.315, 197.366 and 197.367, RSMo 2000, relating to entities funded in whole or in part by the department of social services, and to enact in lieu thereof eleven new sections relating to the same subject.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 197.305, 197.310, 197.315, 197.366 and 197.367, RSMo 2000, are
2 repealed and eleven new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 197.305,
3 197.310, 197.315, 197.370, 197.372, 197.374, 197.376, 197.378, 197.380, 197.382 and 197.384,
4 to read as follows:

197.305. As used in sections 197.300 to 197.366, the following terms mean:

- 2 (1) "Affected persons", the person proposing the development of a new institutional
3 health service, the public to be served, and health care facilities within the service area in which
4 the proposed new health care service is to be developed;
- 5 (2) "Agency", the certificate of need program of the Missouri department of health;
- 6 (3) "Capital expenditure", an expenditure by or on behalf of a health care facility which,
7 under generally accepted accounting principles, is not properly chargeable as an expense of
8 operation and maintenance;
- 9 (4) "Certificate of need", a written certificate issued by the committee setting forth the
10 committee's affirmative finding that a proposed project sufficiently satisfies the criteria
11 prescribed for such projects by sections 197.300 to 197.366;
- 12 (5) "Develop", to undertake those activities which on their completion will result in the
13 offering of a new institutional health service or the incurring of a financial obligation in relation

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

14 to the offering of such a service;

15 (6) "Expenditure minimum" shall mean:

16 (a) For beds in existing or proposed health care facilities licensed pursuant to chapter
17 198, RSMo, and long-term care beds in a hospital as described in subdivision (3) of subsection
18 1 of section 198.012, RSMo, six hundred thousand dollars in the case of capital expenditures,
19 or four hundred thousand dollars in the case of major medical equipment, provided, however,
20 that prior to January 1, 2003, the expenditure minimum for beds in such a facility and long-term
21 care beds in a hospital described in section 198.012, RSMo, shall be zero, subject to the
22 provisions of subsection 7 of section 197.318;

23 (b) For beds or equipment in a long-term care hospital meeting the requirements
24 described in 42 CFR, Section 412.23(e), the expenditure minimum shall be zero; and

25 (c) For health care facilities, new institutional health services or beds not described in
26 paragraph (a) or (b) of this subdivision one million dollars in the case of capital expenditures,
27 excluding major medical equipment, and one million dollars in the case of medical equipment;

28 (7) "Health care facilities", [hospitals, health maintenance organizations, tuberculosis
29 hospitals, psychiatric hospitals] **long-term care beds in a hospital as described in subdivision**
30 **(3) of subsection 1 of section 198.012, RSMo, long-term care hospitals or beds in a long-**
31 **term care hospital meeting the requirements described in 42 CFR Section 412.23(e),**
32 intermediate care facilities, skilled nursing facilities, residential care facilities I and II, [kidney
33 disease treatment centers, including freestanding hemodialysis units, diagnostic imaging centers,
34 radiation therapy centers and ambulatory surgical facilities,] but excluding [the private offices
35 of physicians, dentists and other practitioners of the healing arts, and] Christian Science
36 sanatoriums, also known as Christian Science Nursing facilities listed and certified by the
37 Commission for Accreditation of Christian Science Nursing Organization/Facilities, Inc., and
38 facilities of not-for-profit corporations in existence on October 1, 1980, subject either to the
39 provisions and regulations of Section 302 of the Labor-Management Relations Act, 29 U.S.C.
40 186 or the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act, 29 U.S.C. 401-538, and any
41 residential care facility I or residential care facility II operated by a religious organization
42 qualified pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the federal Internal Revenue Code, as amended, which
43 does not require the expenditure of public funds for purchase or operation, with a total licensed
44 bed capacity of one hundred beds or fewer;

45 (8) "Health service area", a geographic region appropriate for the effective planning and
46 development of health services, determined on the basis of factors including population and the
47 availability of resources, consisting of a population of not less than five hundred thousand or
48 more than three million;

49 (9) ["Major medical equipment", medical equipment used for the provision of medical

50 and other health services;

51 (10)] "New institutional health service":

52 (a) The development of a new health care facility costing in excess of the applicable
53 expenditure minimum;

54 (b) The acquisition, including acquisition by lease, of any health care facility[, or major
55 medical equipment costing in excess of the expenditure minimum];

56 (c) Any capital expenditure by or on behalf of a health care facility in excess of the
57 expenditure minimum;

58 (d) Predevelopment activities as defined in subdivision (13) hereof costing in excess of
59 one hundred fifty thousand dollars;

60 (e) Any change in licensed bed capacity of a health care facility which increases the total
61 number of beds by more than ten or more than ten percent of total bed capacity, whichever is
62 less, over a two-year period;

63 (f) Health services, excluding home health services, which are offered in a health care
64 facility and which were not offered on a regular basis in such health care facility within the
65 twelve-month period prior to the time such services would be offered;

66 (g) A reallocation by an existing health care facility of licensed beds among major types
67 of service or reallocation of licensed beds from one physical facility or site to another by more
68 than ten beds or more than ten percent of total licensed bed capacity, whichever is less, over a
69 two-year period;

70 [(11)] **(10)** "Nonsubstantive projects", projects which do not involve the addition,
71 replacement, modernization or conversion of beds or the provision of a new health service but
72 which include a capital expenditure which exceeds the expenditure minimum and are due to an
73 act of God or a normal consequence of maintaining health care services, facility or equipment;

74 [(12)] **(11)** "Person", any individual, trust, estate, partnership, corporation, including
75 associations and joint stock companies, state or political subdivision or instrumentality thereof,
76 including a municipal corporation;

77 [(13)] **(12)** "Predevelopment activities", expenditures for architectural designs, plans,
78 working drawings and specifications, and any arrangement or commitment made for financing;
79 but excluding submission of an application for a certificate of need.

197.310. 1. The "Missouri Health Facilities Review Committee" is hereby established.
2 The agency shall provide clerical and administrative support to the committee. The committee
3 may employ additional staff as it deems necessary.

4 2. The committee shall be composed of:

5 (1) Two members of the senate appointed by the president pro tem, who shall be from
6 different political parties; and

7 (2) Two members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker, who shall
8 be from different political parties; and

9 (3) Five members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate,
10 not more than three of whom shall be from the same political party;

11 **(4) The director of the department of social services, or the director's designee; and**

12 **(5) The director of senior services and regulations in the department of health.**

13 3. No business of this committee shall be performed without a majority of the full body.

14 4. The members shall be appointed as soon as possible after September 28, 1979. One
15 of the senate members, one of the house members and three of the members appointed by the
16 governor shall serve until January 1, 1981, and the remaining members shall serve until January
17 1, 1982. All subsequent members shall be appointed in the manner provided in subsection 2 of
18 this section and shall serve terms of two years.

19 5. The committee shall elect a chairman at its first meeting which shall be called by the
20 governor. The committee shall meet upon the call of the chairman or the governor.

21 6. The committee shall review and approve or disapprove all applications for a certificate
22 of need made under sections 197.300 to 197.366. It shall issue reasonable rules and regulations
23 governing the submission, review and disposition of applications.

24 7. Members of the committee shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed
25 for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

26 8. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 4 of section 610.025, RSMo, the
27 proceedings and records of the facilities review committee shall be subject to the provisions of
28 chapter 610, RSMo.

197.315. 1. Any person who proposes to develop or offer a new institutional health
2 service within the state must obtain a certificate of need from the committee prior to the time
3 such services are offered.

4 2. Only those new institutional health services which are found by the committee to be
5 needed shall be granted a certificate of need. Only those new institutional health services which
6 are granted certificates of need shall be offered or developed within the state. No expenditures
7 for new institutional health services in excess of the applicable expenditure minimum shall be
8 made by any person unless a certificate of need has been granted.

9 3. After October 1, 1980, no state agency charged by statute to license or certify health
10 care facilities shall issue a license to or certify any such facility, or distinct part of such facility,
11 that is developed without obtaining a certificate of need.

12 4. If any person proposes to develop any new institutional health care service without
13 a certificate of need as required by sections 197.300 to 197.366, the committee shall notify the
14 attorney general, and he shall apply for an injunction or other appropriate legal action in any

15 court of this state against that person.

16 5. After October 1, 1980, no agency of state government may appropriate or grant funds
17 to or make payment of any funds to any person or health care facility which has not first obtained
18 every certificate of need required pursuant to sections 197.300 to 197.366.

19 6. A certificate of need shall be issued only for the premises and persons named in the
20 application and is not transferable except by consent of the committee.

21 7. Project cost increases, due to changes in the project application as approved or due
22 to project change orders, exceeding the initial estimate by more than ten percent shall not be
23 incurred without consent of the committee.

24 8. Periodic reports to the committee shall be required of any applicant who has been
25 granted a certificate of need until the project has been completed. The committee may order the
26 forfeiture of the certificate of need upon failure of the applicant to file any such report.

27 9. A certificate of need shall be subject to forfeiture for failure to incur a capital
28 expenditure on any approved project within six months after the date of the order. The applicant
29 may request an extension from the committee of not more than six additional months based upon
30 substantial expenditure made.

31 10. Each application for a certificate of need must be accompanied by an application fee.
32 The time of filing commences with the receipt of the application and the application fee. The
33 application fee is one thousand dollars, or one-tenth of one percent of the total cost of the
34 proposed project, whichever is greater. All application fees shall be deposited in the state
35 treasury. Because of the loss of federal funds, the general assembly will appropriate funds to the
36 Missouri health facilities review committee.

37 11. In determining whether a certificate of need should be granted, no consideration shall
38 be given to the facilities or equipment of any other health care facility located more than a
39 fifteen-mile radius from the applying facility.

40 12. When a nursing facility shifts from a skilled to an intermediate level of nursing care,
41 it may return to the higher level of care if it meets the licensure requirements, without obtaining
42 a certificate of need.

43 13. In no event shall a certificate of need be denied because the applicant refuses to
44 provide abortion services or information.

45 14. A certificate of need shall not be required for the transfer of ownership of an existing
46 and operational health facility in its entirety.

47 15. A certificate of need may be granted to a facility for an expansion, an addition of
48 services, a new institutional service[, or for a new hospital facility] which provides for something
49 less than that which was sought in the application.

50 16. The provisions of this section shall not apply to facilities operated by the state, and

51 appropriation of funds to such facilities by the general assembly shall be deemed in compliance
52 with this section, and such facilities shall be deemed to have received an appropriate certificate
53 of need without payment of any fee or charge.

54 17. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, a certificate of need may be issued
55 after July 1, 1983, for an intermediate care facility operated exclusively for the mentally retarded.

56 [18. To assure the safe, appropriate, and cost-effective transfer of new medical
57 technology throughout the state, a certificate of need shall not be required for the purchase and
58 operation of research equipment that is to be used in a clinical trial that has received written
59 approval from a duly constituted institutional review board of an accredited school of medicine
60 or osteopathy located in Missouri to establish its safety and efficacy and does not increase the
61 bed complement of the institution in which the equipment is to be located. After the clinical trial
62 has been completed, a certificate of need must be obtained for continued use in such facility.]

2 [197.366. The provisions of subdivision (8) of section 197.305 to the
3 contrary notwithstanding, after December 31, 2001, the term "health care facilities"
4 in sections 197.300 to 197.366 shall mean:

- 4 (1) Facilities licensed under chapter 198, RSMo;
5 (2) Long-term care beds in a hospital as described in subdivision (3) of
6 subsection 1 of section 198.012, RSMo;
7 (3) Long-term care hospitals or beds in a long-term care hospital meeting the
8 requirements described in 42 CFR, section 412.23(e); and
9 (4) Construction of a new hospital as defined in chapter 197.]

2 [197.367. Upon application for renewal by any residential care facility I or
3 II which on the effective date of this act has been licensed for more than five years,
4 is licensed for more than fifty beds and fails to maintain for any calendar year its
5 occupancy level above thirty percent of its then licensed beds, the division of aging
shall license only fifty beds for such facility.]

197.370. As used in sections 197.370 to 197.384, the following terms mean:

- 2 (1) "Acute care facilities", hospitals, diagnostic imaging centers, radiation therapy
3 centers, ambulatory surgical facilities and short stay specialty units;
4 (2) "Committee", as defined in section 197.310;
5 (3) "Develop", to undertake those activities which on their completion will result
6 in the offering of a new institutional acute care service or the incurring of a financial
7 obligation in relation to the offering of such a service;
8 (4) "Filed" or "filing", deliver to the staff of the committee an application as
9 defined by rule and the appropriate application fee;
10 (5) "First-time services", includes the following that are proposed in a specific
11 location or for a mobile unit:
12 (a) Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), positron emission tomography (PET) and
13 other emerging radiology technology;

- 14 (b) Open-heart surgery;
- 15 (c) Cardiac catheterization labs;
- 16 (d) Lithotripsy units; or
- 17 (e) Gamma knife;
- 18 (6) "New institutional acute care service":
- 19 (a) The development of a new acute care facility;
- 20 (b) The acquisition, including acquisition by lease, of any acute care facility or
- 21 major medical equipment;
- 22 (c) Any change in a licensed bed capacity of a hospital that increases the total
- 23 number of beds by more than ten beds or more than ten percent of total bed capacity,
- 24 whichever is less, over a two-year period;
- 25 (d) Health services, excluding home health services, which are offered in an acute
- 26 care facility and which were not offered on a regular basis in such acute care facility within
- 27 the twelve-month period prior to the time such services would be offered;
- 28 (e) A reallocation by an existing acute care facility of licensed beds from one
- 29 physical facility or site to another by more than ten beds or more than ten percent of total
- 30 licensed bed capacity, whichever is less, over a two-year period;
- 31 (7) "Nonreviewable projects", those renovation or replacement projects in a
- 32 current location whose cost is below ten million dollars;
- 33 (8) "Nonsubstantive projects", projects which do not involve the addition,
- 34 replacement, modernization or conversion of beds or the provision of a new institutional
- 35 acute care service and are due to an act of God or a normal consequence of maintaining
- 36 acute care services, facility or equipment;
- 37 (9) "Person", any individual, trust, estate, partnership, corporation, including
- 38 associations and joint stock companies, state or political subdivision or instrumentality
- 39 thereof, including a municipal corporation;
- 40 (10) "Review certification", a written certificate issued by the committee setting
- 41 forth the committee's affirmative finding that a proposed project described in sections
- 42 197.370 to 197.384 sufficiently satisfies the criteria prescribed for such projects by sections
- 43 197.370 to 197.384;
- 44 (11) "Total expenditure", an expenditure by or on behalf of an acute care facility
- 45 which, under generally accepted accounting principles, is not properly chargeable as an
- 46 expense or operation and maintenance, and includes but is not limited to land, buildings,
- 47 capital improvements and all other costs necessary to establish a first-time service or a new
- 48 institutional acute care service.

197.372. The health facilities review committee for projects described in sections

2 **197.370 to 197.384 shall:**

3 (1) Review and approve or disapprove all applications for a review certification
4 made pursuant to sections 197.370 to 197.384. The committee shall issue reasonable rules
5 governing the submission, review and disposition of applications;

6 (2) Notify the applicant within fifteen days of the date of filing of an application as
7 to the completeness of such application as defined by rule;

8 (3) Provide written notification to affected persons located within this state at the
9 beginning of a review. The notification may be given through publication of the review
10 schedule in all newspapers of general circulation in the area to be served;

11 (4) Hold public hearings on all applications when a request in writing is filed by
12 any affected person within thirty days from the date of publication of the notification of
13 review;

14 (5) Within one hundred days of the filing of any application, issue in writing its
15 findings of fact, conclusions of law, and its approval or denial of the review certification;
16 provided, that the committee may grant an extension of not more than thirty days on its
17 own initiative or upon the written request of any affected person;

18 (6) Send to the applicant a copy of the aforesaid findings, conclusions and
19 decisions; copies shall be available to any person upon request;

20 (7) Consider the needs and circumstances of institutions providing training
21 programs for health personnel;

22 (8) Consider the predominant ethnic, cultural, or religious compositions of the
23 residents to be served by an acute care facility in considering whether to grant a review
24 certification; and

25 (9) Establish by regulation procedures to review, or grant a waiver for review,
26 nonsubstantive projects and nonreviewable.

**197.374. 1. Any person who proposes to develop or offer a new institutional acute
2 care service or a first-time service shall submit a letter of intent to the committee at least
3 thirty days prior to the filing of the application.**

4 **2. An application fee shall accompany each application for a review
5 certification. The time of filing commences with the receipt of the application and the
6 fee. The fee shall be one thousand dollars or one-tenth of one percent of the total project,
7 whichever is greater. All application fees shall be deposited in the state treasury. The
8 general assembly will appropriate funds to the Missouri health facilities review committee.**

**197.376. Within thirty days of the decision of the committee, the applicant may file
2 an appeal to be heard de novo by the administrative hearing commissioner. Subsequent
3 appeal venue shall be the circuit court in the county within which such acute care service**

4 or facility is proposed to be developed.

197.378. 1. For the purpose of submitting an application for review certification,
2 any person who proposes to develop or offer a new institutional acute care service shall
3 obtain a review certification from the committee prior to the time such services are offered.

4 2. Any person who proposes a first-time service shall obtain a review certification
5 from the committee prior to the time such services are offered.

6 3. Any person who proposes to add new, not previously licensed, beds to an existing
7 hospital shall obtain a review certification. This shall not preclude the transfer of already
8 licensed beds as defined in section 197.374.

9 4. Only those new institution acute care services, first-time services or addition of
10 beds that are found by the committee to meet the health needs of the community served
11 shall be granted a review certification.

12 5. A review certification shall be issued only for the premises and persons named
13 in the application and is not transferable except by the consent of the committee.

14 6. Project cost increases, due to changes in the project application as approved or
15 due to project change orders, exceeding the initial estimate by more than ten percent shall
16 not be incurred without consent of the committee.

17 7. Periodic reports to the committee shall be required of any applicant who has
18 been granted a review certification until the project has been completed. The committee
19 may order the forfeiture of the review certification upon failure of the applicant to file any
20 such report.

21 8. A review certification shall be subject to forfeiture for failure to incur
22 expenditures equal to ten percent of the total approved cost of any project within six
23 months after the date of the order. The applicant may request an extension from the
24 committee of not more than six additional months to avoid forfeiture.

25 9. No state agency charged by statute to license or certify acute care facilities shall
26 issue a license to or certify any such facility, or distinct part of such facility, that is
27 developed and is required to have a review certification, without first obtaining a review
28 certification.

29 10. No state agency may appropriate or grant funds to or make payment of any
30 funds to any person or acute care facility that has not first obtained every review
31 certification required pursuant to sections 197.370 to 197.384.

32 11. In no event shall a review certification be denied because the applicant refuses
33 to provide abortion services or information.

34 12. A review certification shall not be required for the transfer of ownership of an
35 existing and operational acute care facility in its entirety.

36 **13. A review certification may be granted for something less than that which was**
37 **sought in the original application.**

38 **14. To assure the safe, appropriate, and cost-effective transfer of new medical**
39 **technology throughout the state, a review certification shall not be required for the**
40 **purchase and operation of research equipment that is to be used in a clinical trial that has**
41 **received written approval from a duly constituted institutional review board of an**
42 **accredited school of medicine or osteopathy located in Missouri to establish its safety and**
43 **efficiency and does not increase the bed complement of the institution in which the**
44 **equipment is to be located. After the clinical trial has been completed, a review**
45 **certification must be obtained for continued use in such facility.**

197.380. Review certification is not required for:

2 **(1) Facilities operated by the state and appropriation of funds to such facilities by**
3 **the general assembly shall be in compliance, and such facilities shall be deemed to have**
4 **received an appropriate review certification without any fee or charge;**

5 **(2) Nonreviewable projects as per subdivision (9) of section 197.372.**

197.382. For the purposes of reimbursement pursuant to section 208.152, RSMo,
2 **project costs for new institutional acute care services in excess of ten percent of the initial**
3 **project estimate regardless of whether approval was obtained under subsection 6 of section**
4 **197.378 shall not be eligible for reimbursement for the first three years that a facility**
5 **receives payment for services provided pursuant to section 208.152, RSMo. The initial**
6 **estimate shall be that amount for which the original review certificate was**
7 **obtained. Reimbursement for these excess costs after the first three years shall not be**
8 **made until a review certification has been granted for the excess project costs. The**
9 **provisions of this section shall apply only to facilities which file an application for a review**
10 **certification or make application for cost-overrun review of their original application or**
11 **waiver.**

197.384. The committee may promulgate reasonable rules, criteria and standards
2 **to meet the objectives of sections 197.370 to 197.384 including the power to establish**
3 **criteria and standards to review new types of equipment or service. No rule or portion of**
4 **a rule promulgated pursuant to the authority of sections 197.370 to 197.384 shall become**
5 **effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo.**